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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on April 4, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply ending on July 4, 2008. Because July 4 was a Federal Holiday falling on a Friday, Applicants are entitled to submit a Reply up to and including July 7, 2008 without a request for a time extension under 37 CFR 1.136. Nevertheless, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge any additional fees occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment of such fees, to Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

**Remarks/arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.